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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-17 without prejudice or disclaimer and add claims 18-34 as
follows:

1-18. A data storage medium comprising an information carrier which is wound in a spiral fashion and on which information units are provided which can be read optically, the information carrier being optically transparent and the information units being readable through a plurality of information carrier layers (10), wherein the data storage medium is adapted to be read in the wound state.

2-18. The data storage medium as claimed in claim 18, wherein the information carrier is a transparent polymer film (11).

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